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June 21st, 2026

We welcome you not as strangers but as a part of God's family! We are a community of faith that gathers to praise our Lord and Savior, serve others, search for answers, and enjoy the fellowship of one another. We hope today you will be challenged and discover encouragement. The peace of Christ be with you!

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

4th Sunday after Pentecost

June 21st, 2026

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

*Worship begins with the Prelude. Please use this time for **silent** preparation.*

PRELUDE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

CHORAL INTROIT “How Lovely is Your Dwelling Place”

Liam Lawton

(Congregation – Please join on the second time)

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord, my God!

How lovely is your dwelling place, is your dwelling place, O God!

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive) (from a portion of Luke 15:11-32)

Leader: But the elder brother refused to welcome his younger brother back home.

People: *But the Father went out to plead with him to welcome his brother home.*

Leader: But the elder brother said, how can you welcome this sinner home?

People: *He is a prodigal son and no longer deserves a place in our family.*

Unison: *“We had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and now has come to life; he was lost and has been found.”*

*HYMN OF ADORATION # 630

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Oh God, we find it easy to pray in the Lord’s Prayer “forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors” but it is so hard to do. It is much easier for us to live in the belly of a whale or great fish for three days, than to forgive those who have wronged us or those people we care about. And it is hard for us to even imagine how hard it must be for You to forgive our sins time after time. You have called us to live as disciples who love You above all others who want to be our gods and to love and value all other people as we love and value ourselves. Help us to do just that, for we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen

*DECLARATION OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.*

A MOMENT WITH OUR CHILDREN

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jonah 3:10-4:11, Page 861

ANTHEM

Sheldon Curry

“Down to the River to Pray”

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew 18:21-35, page 20

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

MEDITATION

The Rev. Dr. Tom Currie

“Much More Than a Fish Story”

*HYMN OF PREPARATION # 39

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord’s Prayer

*...Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our **debts**, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

Louis J. F. Herold

“Offering on *Messiah* or Take My Life and Let It Be”

*DOXOLOGY

Hymn # 606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING GOD’S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT # 697

“Take My Life”

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Traditional

“Danish Amen”

*POSTLUDE

**Please stand if able.*

Opportunities for the Week of June 21st – June 28th

Sunday:

Happy Father’s Day – Donuts for Dad

8:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship Service / Communion / Rev. Dr. Tom Currie

Wednesday:

Distribute Church Mouse / Newsletter

5:45 p.m. Choir Practice

Sunday:

8:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship Service / Chaplain Robert Wilson

Announcements

Please welcome back our own Rev. Dr. Tom Currie as he brings forth our message for today.

Please take a moment and wish each dad a very “Happy Father’s Day”.

We have numerous "basket ministry" bins in the Family Life Center. Please continue to donate items to any of the ministries each month.

Please note: Office hours for the week of June 21st: Sonya will be available by remote if needed on Monday, June 22nd. On Tuesday, June 23, Wednesday, June 24, & Thursday, June 25, the office will be open from 9:30 – 12:30 pm. The office will be closed on Friday, but emails are checked periodically.